
Dartford Orienteering Klubb (DFOK) are hosting the final Kent Orienteering League event of the 2010/11 season with courses for newcomers and orienteers of all ability at:

Trosley Country Park near Vigo, Meopham, Kent on **Saturday 18th June 2011**

General

This is the final Kent Orienteering League event of the season. There will be 4 courses on offer suitable everyone from complete beginners to intermediate standard orienteers and experienced orienteers.

Terrain

A small area of typical North Downs wood. A flat plateau with plenty of paths and some reasonably runnable sections and a steep scarp slope with great views over Kent. The large paths are easy to follow and relocate on, so this is a great area for new or inexperienced orienteers.

Courses

Yellow course. Very easy. All controls will be on or very near paths. Approximately 2km. Suitable for complete beginners and younger juniors.

Orange course. Easy/Moderate. Slightly further and harder. Suitable for progressing juniors and adult beginners with some map reading experience. 3.5km

Light green course. Moderate/Hard. A technically hard but short course for experienced orienteers. 4km.

Blue course. Hard. As technically and physically hard as the area will allow. Approximately 6km.

The yellow, orange and light green courses will mainly stay on the flat plateau. The blue course will make good use of the steep scarp slope - expect plenty of climbing. All courses will enjoy the great views.

Beginners

If you are new to orienteering, please email newcomers@dfok.co.uk or let someone know at the start, and someone will explain everything to you. You don't need any special equipment or be a member of an orienteering club.

Facilities

The visitors centre is being rebuilt but toilets remain open and a Kent County Council mobile catering van will be present. The start/finish/registration/prize giving will be next to the "woodland car park" 300 metres from the visitors centre which has a few picnic tables.

Times

As this is the final event of the Kent Orienteering League series, would all competitors likely to win a league prize (the top 3 places in any course/age/sex category), or competitors likely to win their course on the day, please choose an early start time. This is to allow the end of season prizes to be given out on the day. Start times will be 10.45-11.15 for fast runners and possible KOL prize winners, 11-12.30 for everybody else. Registration opens at 10.30. Courses close 2pm.

Prize giving

Please do stay for the prize giving. The prizes will be presented near to the finish in a pleasant woodland clearing. A good location for a picnic.

Directions to the car park

From the M20 junction 2/M26 junction 2, take the A20 then the A227 towards Gravesend. After 2km turn right at the Trosley Country Park sign towards Vigo and follow the country park signs from there. Nearest postcode: DA13 0SG

Public transport

Reasonable bus service (308 arriva bus) from Sevenoaks, Borough Green, Gravesend and Meopham stations to the country park. See <http://www.arrivabus.co.uk>. If there is enough demand, the organiser may organise a taxi from Borough Green station. Email the organiser if interested.

Fees

Seniors £4, Juniors free. SI card hire £1. Pay and display parking is £2 (no change given from machines).

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